

# Linn's Weekly Chases A Major Around World

## Secret Code Through Approval Books Possible Source Of Enemy Information—Sendings Barred

During the first World War one source of information used by foreign agents was the transmission of secret messages through approval books or sheets of stamps sent through the mails in the ordinary manner. Perhaps it is this more than anything else that has prompted the recent Censor order against exportation of stamps from America.

Any well informed stamp collector could readily work up an approval book or sheet of stamps that could convey a secret message that might baffle the best of the experts who are employed to catch just such secret messages by no matter what means conveyed.

Readers of Linn's Weekly are hereby invited to participate in this new game of secret messages through postage stamps.

Certainly the exploitation of this interesting fad can do no harm and it may be the means of providing those who are guarding against just such messages, many new lines of thought in deciphering secret messages that may be hidden in an innocent looking book of postage stamps.

We invite readers to compose messages by the use of stamps. We will print such messages and offer prizes for their solution. Any reader is invited to try his hand at this new game. Prepare your message, write a thorough explanation of same and send the answer along with your message. We will print same and offer suitable prizes for solution.

To start with we offer a brief message that should be heeded by every American. Can you solve this message. Imagine an approval book of stamps which has come to you with the following stamps mounted in the order in which these stamps are listed, each stamp with catalogue number marked above same and with catalogue value and net price marked below.

Here is the list:  
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Uruguay No. C4  
Russia No. 90  
Russia No. 11  
Mexico No. 316  
Ireland No. 65  
Malta No. 7  
Japan No. 233  
Great Britain J18  
Romania No. 438  
Peru No. 347  
Egypt No. 11  
Australia No. 147  
Australia No. 130  
Liberia No. 210  
Hawaii No. 78  
Argentina No. 477  
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Russia No. 474

We have purposely made this a quite simple code and leave it in your hands for solution. To the first correct solution sent up we will give a handsome Rapkin Stock book, valued at \$1.50 and send same postpaid.

## Death Of Mrs. Holland A. Davis, Wife Of The Secretary Of The A.P.S.

Mrs. Holland A. Davis, wife of Dr. H. A. Davis, Secretary of the American Philatelic Society and resident of Denver, Colorado, died Friday, October 2, from coronary thrombosis while asleep. She was 73 years of age. Funeral services were held Sunday, October 4th. Burial was in the family lot in Fairmount Cemetery in Denver.

Stamps For Servicemen  
By WALTER KANER



### Life Saving Stamps!

Years ago in the remote sections of China where life was hard and food precious a baby girl was seldom wanted. Often when a girl was born she was immediately drowned — better that than letting her starve. Unwanted babies were bought from their parents by church missionaries in return for postage stamps which were used by the Chinese to decorate vases and other salable knickknacks!

Stamp collecting has been called to the colors. Today unwanted stamps can help make some man in uniform happy. The USO has launched a nationwide drive to supply the men in service with stamps and other material necessary to start their own collections. Collectors can help stamp out the enemy by giving them extra stamps, albums, catalogs, tongs, magnifying glasses and other stamp accessories to the USO Stamps for Servicemen, Empire State Building, New York, N. Y.

Give a little to the men who are giving a lot!

## Collectors Of Patriotic Covers Should Gather The Patriotic Stationery Too

Among the most prized pieces in the collections of Civil War Patriotic Covers are those letters which besides having the stamp on the cover, also have with them the patriotic stationery which was in vogue in that period. Collectors today have an opportunity to pick up these much desired pieces while the material is in use and the collector who keeps only the cover and discards the printed patriotic stationery that may have been inside the cover will see the day when he will regret his negligence.

Army posts and camps, forts, bases, USO club rooms and other military points in all parts of the country have at times used printed stationery, some embellished with pictures, some with just the printed wording, but all of this material will add interest and value to every cover with which it ties up. Watch for these pieces and keep them while they are coming.

In keeping with this thought is the new line of Gimbel's Patriotic Stationery which matches with their new line of Patriotic envelopes. A complete set of this new patriotic stationery will be a valued collectors piece in years to come and besides, what is more appropriate than to show your spirit by using such stationery in your daily correspondence. The boys overseas too, will get a kick out of such correspondence paper and a big box of this paper mailed for Christmas will answer one of the biggest problems you have to face in the next few weeks.

Mr. G. W. Borschel of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, formerly President of the TMPS is now known as Private G. W. Borschel and is located at Madison, Wisconsin, in the 620th Tech. School Sqd., A. F. T. S.

## Historic Scrap Of Paper That Crossed Two Oceans And Spent Some Time On A Small Island

One of the first acts of the publisher of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, when war came to America, was to plan to carry on the subscription list without further charge, the names of those subscribers who enlisted or were called into the service of our country. It was little to offer, yet the response that came from some of these men due to this announcement was such as to make the publisher feel happy to feel that he could do this much for these men. As a result of this act, there has come to our office from time to time, letters

and even "scraps of paper," that give mute evidence of the appreciation of some of these soldiers and sailors who have been fortunate enough to have their paper follow them to the far corners of the earth.

Only last week, there came from a Major in the Engineers, a piece of paper that screams its story of a world tour and it is hoped that the true uncensored details of this scrap of paper may be learned when the war is won.

Being a Major doubtless provides many privileges and much recognition that a buck private can not expect to get and had this piece of paper covered a copy of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, addressed to a plain private, it might never have had the adventure that is evident from its face. Yes, the piece of paper in question is just a plain sheet of wrapper from the copy of the Weekly that started from Sidney with the stenciled address of a Major in the 38th Engineers, addressed to APO 301, Fort Jackson, S. C. We omit the Major's name for this gentleman has much more to do than to answer mail from enthusiastic stamp and cover collectors.

Starting from Sidney, sometime during the past summer, it found on arrival at Fort Jackson that the Major had suddenly been transferred to some other address, just where, we do not know, but the markings and the written note on the wrapper give visions of coral reefs in the Pacific. Perhaps then a trip to Australia, maybe up to the Suez, across Africa and back to America via South Atlantic Air Mail.

When the Major was not found at Fort Jackson, the paper was evidently turned over to that branch of the Army Mail Service which looks after forwarding and change of address. The APO number gave them a key as to where the Major had gone and the matter of a forwarding address was thus quite simple. The paper was therefore rubber stamps, "Change of address due to Official Order," thus creating a Postal Marking that will be of Historic and Philatelic Interest for our coming Philatelic students.

The wrapper also bears a circular cancellation with four heavy killer bars. This cancellation reads, "U. S. Army Postal Service" around top of the circle and

## Specialized U.S. Catalog To Be Out In December

Some months ago the publishers announced that no new Specialized Catalogue for U. S. Stamps would be issued before 1943. Announcement is now made that a volume will be printed and ready for distribution in December. The edition will be limited to advance orders received up to October 15th. If you have not placed your order, reserve a copy at your dealers now or be disappointed later.

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## Let Linn's Weekly Serve Your Stamp Club And Our Boys In Nation's Service

Already letters are coming from U. S. O. clubs in many parts of America expressing appreciation for the copies of Linn's Weekly Stamp News that are going to these clubs as a result of the hundreds of subscriptions contributed by readers of the Weekly.

These letters are coming from U. S. O. club managers as well as from boys in the service and we anticipate many more.

A letter from W. G. Blaikie, S 2/c, Quartermasters School, Co. 1552, U. S. N. T. S., Coddington Point, Newport, Rhode Island, says, "I stepped into this U. S. O. Club house this afternoon for a few minutes of pleasure and was greeted by your magazine. What a swell treat to be able to put my nose again into the center of my hobby. You are to be commended for your fine work. I for one will surely look forward to your magazine for it is impossible to have such specialized, or any magazines, sent you, for we have so many addresses."

There is one additional wish that I'd like to make. It is, is there some way that we collectors who are now in the service could contact people near our station who are fellow collectors and would be willing to spend maybe an evening now and then to cuss and discuss stamps. It would give us a chance to know what goes on and to make friends who think along the same lines as we do. Although we are in the service we still wish we could be somewhere with our hobbies, which have to be left behind.

As I am in the U. S. navy and will not be in any one place probably very long, I'll be looking forward to your magazine in the various U. S. O.'s around the country which have done so much for us boys to entertain us in idle hours.

Yours for Better Times,  
A Friend,  
W. G. Blaikie.  
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Linn's Weekly has taken the lead in supplying a weekly stamp paper to the boys in the service of America. Linn's Weekly offers its service in any way that will help these boys by arranging contact between stamp collectors in the vicinity of any U. S. O. club location or in arranging to make Stamp Clubs in such localities, known to the boys in the service.

Let us print a large list of stamp clubs that will welcome boys from the service at their meetings. Let every stamp club that is located within reasonable distance of any U. S. O. Club room and which will welcome and entertain the boys at their meetings, provide us with complete information so that contact can be made.

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print lists of such clubs as often as we can have same, in order that boys in the USO clubs may make contact.

If your club is properly located, why not contact the USO in your vicinity and have the club manager post appropriate announcement on their bulletin boards or arrange that some club member can meet with collectors at a U. S. O. club room in some camp or concentration point. There is much that can be done in this manner and every collector in the service will welcome any effort you may make to provide them with philatelic contact.

### DETROIT NEWS

By Don R. Heath

In addition to their sending 20 subscriptions to "Linn's" to the various U. S. O. centers locally, the Michigan Stamp Club is planning on a presentation card good "for the duration"—to any member of the Armed Forces who will drop in any of their meetings. The Michigan Stamp Club being a chapter member of the A. P. S. and S. P. A., also the Peninsular State Philatelic Society they feel that the card given to these parties may be of more value than just their attendance here in Detroit. The fact that their interest brings them to a stamp collecting group in itself, will prove that they must be real collectors—and it may be that any place they might be sent later might be a sort of incentive for them to look up other clubs or gatherings and the card given them here may help in their introduction. The meetings of this club are held every first and third Saturday evenings at the Book-Cadillac Hotel; generally on the 5th floor, but the room is always posted on the bulletin board.

Incidentally news was passed around that a sheet of 6 cent Presidents was sold over the counter at East Detroit Post Office with the five rows of center vertical perforations entirely missing. This, within the last day or so.

The Don M. Dickinson Philatelic Society held one of their popular "Ladies Parties" Saturday October 10th at the Western Y. M. C. A. This club, named after a Michigan man who was the Postmaster General (1887-1889) has been meeting for ten years, the first meeting held October 29th, 1932. This meeting on the 10th was almost on the date of the anniversary of the Discovery of America by Columbus, 450 years ago, and the theme of their exhibit was stressed in showing of Columbus stamps.

The "Hot Stove League," after being kicked about quite a bit as far as meeting and eating places are concerned, has settled down to "Hunds"—corner of Bagley and Grand River avenues. Their first luncheon was held there on September 28th. Good food, say those who attended. All Philatelists who are in Detroit on Monday noons (holidays excepted) are welcome—no meetings—no dues—no officers—nothing except eats and talk.

### Unnecessary To Remove A. P. O. Nos. Sometimes

Theron Fox of San Jose, Calif., writes that he was advised by a correspondent in the service that "Because of a deluge of requests from cover and postmark collectors (as well as possible espionage agents seeking location of troops) the Adjutant General has ordered all APO's to omit the number slug from their cancels."

Mr. Fox then remarks that some of the APO cancels that he has been receiving bear the number yet. This has also been noted by the Editor of this paper but if recollection is right, these cancels with numbers are from points where it is public information that large bodies of troops are stationed and any removal of the number slug from cancels from such points would be unnecessary.

### Gimbels Donate Grand Award Cup For Stampex; Handsome Label Issued

John B. Foster, chairman of the STAMPEX committee announced this week that owing to the response from collectors the committee has decided to increase the number of available frames from 300 to 450. The show, being held October 22nd to 25th, for the benefit of the U. S. O., and the Army and Navy Relief Societies under the auspices of the Essex Stamp Club, gives collectors an opportunity to support the service organizations and demonstrate the patriotism of philatelists generally.

Service men will be admitted to the show free of charge. General admission has been fixed at 30¢ for adults, 10¢ for children—tax included.

Mr. Foster announced that the Grand Award Cup has been donated to the Committee by Mr. Minkus, of Gimbel's Stamp Department. The popular award cup will be presented by the Essex Stamp Club. Medals have been prepared for the entries in each of the show's fourteen sections, and a special set of medals for entries by Stamp Clubs and Societies.

The seal of the show, featuring "Robert Treat" the founder of Newark, New Jersey, and two Victory "V" designs similar to the "Win the War" stamp, in red, white and blue, will be released this week. The seals are being prepared by the Washington Stamp Exchange, publishers of "Artcraft Envelopes" and will be undoubtedly the finest yet produced in connection with the STAMPEX shows.

The Post Office Department has agreed to show a frame of stamps of the United States—thus showing the official approval of the Department of stamp shows in these times.

The Committee also announced that they are extremely desirous of having entries of South and Central American countries, as this section is so far poorly represented in the show and Committee is especially desirous that the stamps of this hemisphere be well represented.

Information may be had by addressing the Stampex Committee, 984 Broad street, Newark N. J.

### Unusual Patriotic Comes From Chattanooga, Tenn.

Moccasin ("Victory") Bend in the Tennessee River, as viewed from the top of Lookout Mountain is featured on a three color (red, white and blue) commercial size patriotic envelope now being sold in Chattanooga, Tennessee, to raise funds for the U. S. O.

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Readers of Linn's may secure these covers (although in Chattanooga lots of less than 100 are not being sold) by sending 5¢ in mint stamps for a single cover; 35¢ for 10 covers or \$2.00 for 100 covers, addressing orders to E. A. Andrews, U. S. O. Patriotic Chairman, 7 West 13th Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee. Covers posted by Mr. Andrews will be franked with 1½¢ stamps. If first class postage is desired the charge is 6¢ per cover.

—John D. Stanard\*

### CANADA O. H. M. S. STAMPS

Considerable more news and information has come to hand on these stamps which have apparently not been listed thoroughly for some time past. These lists are being checked carefully and next week we hope to print a revised and correct check list of all varieties of these stamps.

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### LINN'S WEEKLY CHASES MAJOR AROUND WORLD

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"A. P. O." at bottom and note there is no number for the numbers were banned some time ago to keep anyone from learning location of the armed forces through those numbers. The date in four lines in the center of the circle reads "P. M.—Aug—17—1942". Whether this was placed on the wrapper at Fort Jackson or at the new location of our Major is a question that will have to be left for the future, but our assumption is that this mark was applied at some tiny island. Leastwise, wherever the paper went in its effort to catch up with our Major, the Major was a few jumps ahead of the paper and it is therefore apparent that the paper followed the Major back to America again, for we find penciled on the wrapper, opposite the stenciled address, "Office Chief Engineers, Washington, D. C."

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Spent some time on a tiny island. Can you vision a tiny island, perhaps Wake or Midway, where mail might have spent some time due to the fact that it could not be moved for lack of facilities or because of enemy interference.

Surely little scraps of paper and little drops of ink can tell a story and this wrapper from a copy of Linn's Weekly Stamp News tells a vivid one which we hope can be released uncensored, when the war is won.

The Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh is threatened with disruption of their planned meetings by a threatened strike of Hotel employees. It appears that at about this same time last year a strike of hotel employees prevented the usual October meeting. Maybe this is the annual vacation season for hotel employees and is to be a regular event. Why can't the boys hold their meets on the curb, make an open air bourse and entertain the crowd. Such an event would draw a bigger crowd than any indoor exhibition.

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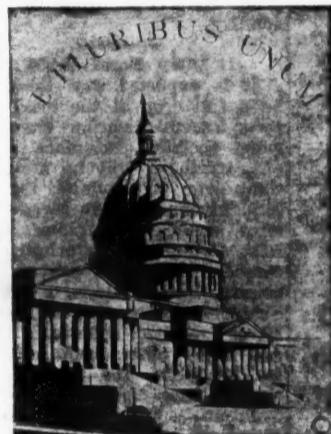
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### United States Stamp On Cover From Australia Is A Puzzle To The Owner

Mary Krakora\*

An item of unusual interest to me is a commercial cover in my possession. It has been opened twice, the first time by Australian authorities since it has the familiar "Opened by Censor" label printed in red and tied to cover with the purple "2/ Passed By Censor/ 1145" hand stamp. It was then opened somewhere and an "Examined by/ 1719" label printed in black was pasted over the first label. That in itself isn't unusual as I have a number of covers with two different labels but the fact that this cover carries a Sydney, N. S. W. Aust. postmark and the stamp used is a three cent presidential United States stamp is what has me puzzled. I wonder if any of your readers would have an explanation on this.

#### WAR PRISONER MAIL

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FAMs. As a matter of fact, service has been in effect over these routes for quite some time, even though the mail was carried unofficially. Other route applications of this company, and also the applications of the Aerovias Nacionales de Puerto Rico, Inc., were denied.

Western Airlines, Inc., have temporarily suspended certain service over AM-52, the new International airmail route from Great Falls, Mont., via Cut Bank-Shelby, Mont., to Lethbridge, Alta., Canada.

Here is a further description of the cachet used at the dedication of the Windsor Locks (Conn.) Air Base Station mentioned in last week's column. The cachet was applied in purple or magenta, and was circular with the wording "DEDICATION, WINDSOR LOCKS AIR BASE" in the outer ring of the circle. Inside of the circle was an Army pursuit plane and the wording "Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, Windsor Locks, Conn." The quantity of covers mailed on this event is still unknown, but many were serviced by the A. H. S.

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## EXPORTATION OF STAMPS BARRED BY CENSOR

A little United Press news dispatch of October 3 states that the Office of Censorship has forbidden the exportation of postage stamps, used or unused or any other philatelic material after October 15, except to members of our armed forces.

This item buried in the news columns of the newspapers of America will come as a shock to many collectors and dealers who have found foreign trading an ideal way to enlarge their collections and their stocks. The first news many will get of this new ruling may come to them when they try to make such a sending.

It means a further curtailment of supplies for dealers and a cutting off of a source of much pleasure and profit for the wise collector. It means also that collectors who have been taking advantage of stamp bargains offered abroad as well as approvals from abroad will not have to confine their purchase to American sources for certainly no more approvals can come in, since they can not be returned to the senders from abroad.

Such a ruling has been in effect in England for more than a year past and the administration of the ruling has been greatly helped by the leading societies and other stamp bodies of London.

Fortunately, this ruling does not bar the sending of such material to members of our armed forces abroad.

What is behind this ruling is a question we are unable to answer. In England, we understand that the ruling was first made to prevent the exportation of valuable stamps and their conversion to cash for deposit in America. As arrangements are now made, stamps from England are shipped to New York for auction, but the funds are returned to England and leading Auction Dealers formerly located in England now handle these stamps in New York acting as agents of the British government.

Certainly there can be no such thought behind this new ruling for where could there be a safer place for stamps or funds than here in America and who would therefore think of sending them out for such a purpose.

This leaves but one object behind the ruling and that would seem to be a throttling of any traffic in stamps that might in some manner help the Axis powers also it is easy for any well informed philatelist to imagine that stamps properly mounted and arranged in approval books might be a means of sending secret messages from America, a means that would be in some cases quite a difficult code to solve and such means were used in World War One.

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## THOSE CANADIAN OFFICIAL STAMPS

Our publicity on the Canadian stamps with perforated OHMS initials has brought quite a bit of interesting comment from various sources and the final result is a list of these stamps more thorough and complete than any heretofore printed. This list is being prepared for publication and the result, we hope to print in the next issue of this paper.

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## HOW DO YOU MOUNT YOUR COVERS

Perhaps the most unsatisfactory thing about collecting covers is the difficulty of finding a suitable method of mounting or preserving them for display and for reference. I have in the past made certain collections of covers and after becoming thoroughly discouraged with all known methods of mounting and arranging the covers, did give up in disgust and dispose of the covers. Yet, there is nothing so fascinating as an old cover, especially some of the early ones which are buried under handstamp and machine cancellations and markings. What a fascination in studying the markings on some of the earlier covers and trying to vision the travels of the cover from its starting point to its destination. How fascinating are many of the current War covers, yet how unsatisfactory have been former methods of keeping such covers for ready reference and in an arrangement that will permit one to build and add to the collection, placing newly acquired covers in their proper niche or in proper sequence in the collection.

One has several album pages of covers, then along comes another handsome cover that fits smack dab right in the middle of the group. How to put it there, how to arrange it where it belongs to properly keep the covers in their right order is a question that no bound album can solve without hours of work in changing and shifting covers from page to page and once that is started the task is never done.

It was because of these things that your editor has studied this subject of mounting covers and has finally adopted a new plan that appeals to him as being the best thought yet known in mounting and arranging a cover collection. Better still, the same new idea is applicable alike to stamps, labels, postmarks, meters, in fact to anything you have ever placed on an album page. Its something different, something fairly economical and something highly practical.

Shortly, I shall give a thorough explanation of this new mounting method. At present I am experimenting with everything I can lay hands on in mounting pages in this new way, just to get a thorough idea as to its adaptability. Thus far, I have been highly pleased with every result and I feel confident that once explained, collectors will quickly grasp the idea and that the plan will solve a problem for many collectors.

## Abuse Of The Free Franking Privilege On Soldiers' Letters

The following by D. C. Bartley, well known cachet enthusiast is a sound opinion and worthy of widespread publicity, for which reason it is reprinted herein.

As was to be expected, the petty politicians, congressmen, and postoffice officials are all "het up" about the abuses of the "free mail for soldiers" law which was passed last March and became effective on April 1st.

There is no excuse for flagrant abuses as have been cited in several articles which have appeared in magazines and the press, and the offenders should be severely dealt with as an example to others who try and make a racket out of every legitimate endeavor.

It is stated that P. O. officials claim the bill was not sufficiently stringent and that it is difficult to control abuses with the regulations the P. O. was empowered to use.

This whole business sounds like "horse feathers" to me, when you stop to realize of the tons of worthless junk that congress, the administration, and Postal Dept. has burdened the department with under the free frank. The few abuses of our armed forces seem like petty larceny compared to the robbery or looting of the Treasury Department.

If our apprehensive officials are so worried about a few cacheted envelopes being used to carry a letter by a soldier or sailor to a collector of cachets, covers, or war markings, it would seem to me that they could well investigate some of the more serious leaks and abuses of which there seems to be many and of much greater importance.

Let's stop this petty bickering, this is war, these men in our armed forces are giving everything they have, why squawk about a 3c fee on a cachet envelope to a friend—shame.

## Reader's Digest Tells Story Of Santos Dumont Featured On Air Stamps

The October Reader's Digest carries a portion of an article that appeared in the September Air Facts entitled "Santos-Dumont: The Father of Flight". Alberto Santos-Dumont, native of Brazil, was honored by the land of his birth by two stamps (AP2 AP4) marking historic flights he made. On October 19, 1901, he won approximately \$25,000 for making a flight from St. Cloud to the Eiffel Tower and back to St. Cloud, France, in a dirigible balloon in less than half an hour. On November 12, 1906, he made the first public and first European flight in a heavier-than-air craft. The H. E. Harris & Co., stamp dealers at 108 Massachusetts Ave, Boston, Mass., has produced a very attractive price list, entitled Airmail Stamps that is obtainable for 4c postage by interested airmail stamp collectors. In this 124-page catalog is an excellent article ("Men Against the Sky") by Stephen F. Harris in which the story of man's conquest of the air and the development of airmail appears. In it will be found some interesting notes about Santos-Dumont.

—Art Lee\*

## KIMBLE IN ARMY NOW

Ralph A. Kimble, Editor of the American Philatelist has been called for active service in the army. Mr. Kimble has been a reserve in the R. O. T. C. for years past, and is now a Lieutenant Colonel, Lester G. Brookman of Minneapolis will handle the American Philatelist during the present emergency.

Friends of A. O. Tittman, well known as one of the leading specialists in the Sonora and Mexican War stamps, also formerly of Norway and London and now of New York City, an attendant at many bourses, will be glad to know that he is satisfactorily recovering from an appendectomy.



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tom. They are in perforated sheets of twenty and across the top of each sheet: The red, "Union Soviética" Russia; Green, "Estados Unidos" United States; Blue, "Inglaterra" England, and Yellow "China" for China. There is nothing on the stamp to indicate the different countries. They are dated 1942. I have a 1941, which just bears the Russian inscription.

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## Oregon Stamp Society Has China Night Meet, Benefit Auction Held

Members of the Oregon Stamp Club met Tuesday evening, October 6th, at 8 p. m., in Hotel Portland for a public China night program.

There was Chinese entertainment and a donation auction held featuring autographed revenue stamps. The stamps which portray Dr. H. H. Kung, premier of China were specially autographed by him for Chinese relief and were obtained by Dr. C. L. Booth, of Portland, who was a classmate of Dr. Kung at Oberlin college.

Proceeds of the auction will be turned over to Chinese relief. Among guests who gave short talks were S. P. S. Au, consul of China; Dr. T. D. Lee, in charge of Chinese relief; S. C. Su, vice consul of China; the Rev. Frank E. Carlson, the Rev. Stephen M. S. Lee of Hope Presbyterian church and Mrs. Stanley Chin.

H. R. Ludington\*

### A GOOD GUESSER

Dr. N. P. McGay showed his Harding Black precancels and other precancels at the Cleveland (Ohio) Stamp Club on Oct. 13th. It was this collection that won the Stephen G. Rich Trophy at the 1942 S. P. A. Convention in Detroit. I believe that you mentioned a few weeks ago in your magazine that our club would be apt to have such a display; while our program chairman did not see your article, you were certainly a good guesser.

—Art Lee\*

### Exportation Of Postage Stamps Is Barred By An Official Washington Edict

According to a United Press news dispatch of October 3, the Office of Censorship has announced that persons wishing to send postage stamps, either used or unused or any other philatelic material outside the United States will be required after October 15th to obtain a special permit unless the mail is addressed to a member of the armed forces.

H. R. Ludington\*

### V Cancel Featured On American Mails Of First World War

(Chicago Tribune)  
The V sign is not a new one. During the last war, it was first used in America to propagandize Liberty Bonds. On the first submarine mail service, a feat during the Victory Loan campaign in May 1919, covers bearing a cancellation in which the V was prominently displayed, were transported ocean-to-ocean through the Panama Canal from Cristobal to Balboa Heights.

—Al Rezek\*

### THRILLING AIR NOVEL

Airmail enthusiasts may be interested to know of the recent book "West With The Night," by Beryl Markham (Houghton, c 1942.) This is the autobiography of the first woman mail pilot in the world. Although there is little pertaining to postal service, the book does give excellent African background, and the adventures of the author make fascinating reading.

—Miss Phebe Booth\*

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ALL DIFFERENT SPECIAL OFFER! NEW approval applicants send 10¢ Defense stamp. Receive Newfoundland Grenfell issue complete; Cuba "V" Victory stamp mint complete in addition to scarce mint War commemorative catalog 30¢. State interest. References. The Stamp Heaven, Box 270, Flushing, New York. (tf\*)

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"20 DIFF. AIR MAILED 3¢ TO APPLICANTS for 1¢, 2¢, 3¢ approvals. F. W. Mattie, #1610 Albert St., New Castle, Pa." (33)

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FOR 25¢ DEFENSE STAMP WILL SEND fifty large diff. used U. S. Commemoratives. Goldsmith, 3643 East Erie, Lorain, Ohio. (32)

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RUSSIA—WANT-LISTS SOLICITED FOR common or scarce items. Free price-list. Approvals. Glass, 1714-L Champion, Toledo, Ohio. (34)

DEFENSE STAMP ERRORS. OFFERING one, two and three cent pairs with one vertical perforation each for \$2.50 for all three denominations. Don't miss these while still available. Forest Cook, Grasslake, Michigan. (31)

JUST GOOD STAMPS, ALL DIFFERENT, 55 - 10¢; 125 - 25¢; 175 - 50¢; 300 - 80¢. Add 10% if remitting in full. No two lots alike. Dime Defense Stamp with \$1.00 order. Morrison, Glenwood, Menands, N. Y. (28)

UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES, 100 different 7¢; Postage 105 different 3¢; Airmails 20 different \$1.40; Complete Sets: National Parks 25¢; Washington Bicentennial 3¢; Army-Navy 12¢; Thirty two Presidents 8¢; 500 mixed foreign 3¢; 1000 different foreign \$1.50; 2000 \$4.00; 3000 \$8.00. Jenella Stamp Company, 3921 Herford, St. Louis, Missouri. (30)

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## Queer Pranks Of V-Mail Make Interesting Study For The Real Collector

Every V-Mail letter received should be carefully scanned both as to the finished photo and the cover in which it is delivered for things are being done in these days that were never done before and there will be some interesting things found by the collector who keeps awake and watches.

V-Mail received from Australia about a month ago took all of a month for delivery, yet a letter at hand now from Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, written on September 27, was delivered to the office of Linn's Weekly in Sidney on October 7th. Exactly ten days from Hawaii and by the hard way too, for this letter comes in a V-Mail War and Navy Department envelope out of New York City, indicating, we would believe, that it must have come via Africa and the South Atlantic.

Reminds one of the old sweetheart's song, "The longest way is the shortest way home."

Our correspondent says, "Everything is running along smoothly here. One of the officers showed me a letter he had just received which had been mailed in Manila in a prison camp. I tried to get it but he would not part with it."

### 20TH CENTURY PLATE BOX

At the October 22nd meeting of the All-Boro Collectors Club, to be held at 8 p. m. in Park's Colonial Room, 881 Sixth Avenue, New York, Mr. Morris Merkur, President of the club will display his collection of 20th Century Plate Number Blocks and lead a discussion on the subject. As usual, all stamp collectors are welcome.

In a recent advt. a dealer in Canada advertising the new St. Pierre-Miquelon Sets, says "Every Canadian specialist should add these to his collection" Has Canada also taken the islands over.

A. F. Simionescu of Hackensack, N. J. sends in copy for an inch. Advt. and says, "I will be back with you for three months and use one inch space per week." Mr. Simionescu has been a periodic advertiser for several years past. How he makes a living the rest of the year, we never knew.

Herman Herst Jr., who used the double page center section of this paper on August 20th, for his 20th auction sale is now sending catalogues for his 21st sale to be held November 7th. Dr. Babcock has a list of prices on the 20th sale in this issue of the news.

A new Canadian postmark slogan reads, "Your Friends will appreciate a Letter, Write Today." That is sound advice and will be of wonderful value to any of the boys away from home. Nothing can do them more good than a letter at frequent intervals. Do not fail to write to those whom you should write to.

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### HAVE YOU THIS METER?

From "The Voice of Prophecy", Los Angeles, Calif., comes a meter which is something new in Meter Usage. The meter reads, "Coast to Coast—Sunday Evening. Hear this Mighty Message to the Millions. Mutual System (Rev. 14:6)." Glendale, Cal., Postage 1½c. PB Meter 103178.

Thus we find a meter which is using its slogan slug to call attention to a Radio Broadcast and doubtless the mailings in the envelopes contained further propaganda on the same subject.

H. R. Ludington\*

### Michigan Stamp Club Sends Linn's Weekly To All Detroit USO's

At the October 3 meeting of the Michigan Stamp Club in Detroit, Ben Nevison made a motion that the club pay for a subscription for every USO or other Army Club located in Detroit or Vicinity.

The weekly has already been entered up for several of the leading USO Clubs in this vicinity and the additional list supplied by the Michigan Stamp Club will cover the small Units and rooms outside the main Clubs in the city.

This is a service that stamp clubs in all parts of the country can well afford for the boys in the service. With a cost of but 25 cents per subscription, there is no army club in the country that should be without the weekly. Stamp clubs should make a survey of their localities and subscribe for the weekly for any club where army men congregate, since there are a lot of such points not directly associated with USO.

At the October 17 meeting of the Michigan Stamp Club Mr. Van Hee of the Richardson South American Expedition will give a lecture on his trip and tell of his stamp activities during the trip, with a display of numerous covers of interest.

### STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACTS OF CON- GRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AND MARCH 3, 1933.

October 1, 1942

Of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, published daily at Sidney, Ohio. State of Ohio, county of Shelby, ss:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared George W. Linn, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the owner of the Linn's Weekly Stamp News, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the Act of March 3, 1933, embodied in section 337, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and address of the publisher, editor, managing editor and business managers are:

Publisher, George W. Linn, Sidney, Ohio.

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Managing Editor, George W. Linn, Sidney, Ohio.

Business Managers, George W. Linn, Sidney, Ohio.

2. That the owner is (if owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and also immediately thereafter the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding one per cent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a firm, company, or other unincorporated concern, its name and address, as well as those of each individual member, must be given.)

George W. Linn.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are:

None.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholder or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by him.

5. That the average number of copies of each issue of this publication sold or distributed, through the mails or otherwise, to paid subscribers during the twelve months preceding the date shown above is:

GEO. W. LINN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of October, 1942.

J. C. SALZGABER,

Notary Public.

(My commission expires Dec. 31, 1942).

### FIRST DAY COVERS

Inquiries and information concerning this department should be addressed to the department editor—

WILLIAM H. ROBIN

Cherokee Bend, Nashville, Tenn.

During the past few months I have listed in this column the location and First Day date of A. P. O.'s 701-798. However these were not the only U. S. Army Post Offices established overseas during the first World War. The location of A. P. O.'s following within the numbers between 799 and 975 are known but as far as I know no attempt has been made to establish their First Day date. However to make the list complete I shall list the numbers and locations of these A. P. O.s.

No. 799 St. Malo, Ille-et-Vilaine.

No. 800 Paris (Not on A. G. O. list).

No. 827 31st Division.

No. 828 38th Division.

No. 831 8th Division.

No. 901 Milano, Italy, via 702.

No. 902 Bourges, Cher. CENTRAL POST OFFICE.

No. 903 Vitry, Hte-Saone.

No. 904 39th Division, St. Flour, ent, Cher.

No. 905 84th Division, Neuville, Dordogne.

No. 906 87th Division, Pons, Charente-Inf.

No. 907 Bar-le-Duc, Meuse.

No. 908 Bougy, Nievre.

No. 909 Beaune, Cote-d'Or.

No. 910 Chateau-du-Loir, Sarthe.

No. 911 Libourne, Gironde.

No. 912 34th Division, Castres, Gironde.

No. 913 Bar-Sur-Aube, Aube.

No. 914 Heippes, Meuse, and

No. 915 Nancy, M-et-Moselle.

A. P. O. numbers 806, 808, 809,

813, 822, 823, 832, 834, 839, 841,

842, 843, 845, 846, and 875 have

been reported in various collections

but are not official. The

location of A. P. O.s 916-975 will

be given in some later column.

It should be kept in mind that

the location of the above A. P. O.s

are of World War I and have

nothing whatsoever to do with

those in use today.

The August issue of POPULAR STAMPS, Canada's only independent stamp publication, was mailed in a First Day cover. The cover which was also cacheted commemorated the opening of the Shand Dam on the Grand River, Ontario, Canada. The Postoffice department of Canada provided the opening with a special postmark which shows a cut of a river with the wording "Official Opening of Shand Dam, Wellington County." The postmark was that of August 7, 1942. This First Day cancellation was given a short notice by the postoffice department and I am sure that the cover was welcomed by all POPULAR STAMPS readers.

Postmarked at Independence, Calif., on July 4th, has come an Independence Day cachet from Norman Wicks. The cachet shows the eagle, two American flags, and coat-of-arms all in blue ink. Other cachets from Norman Wicks are from Mission San Juan Bautista, founded in 1797, and from Casa Grande Ruins. The first of these covers is postmarked from San Juan Bautista, Calif., on July 21st, while the second is postmarked from Casa Grande, Ariz., on June 26th. The Casa Grande cachet in black and blue states "The building, whose walls are 40 feet high, was occupied by Hohokam Indians in prehistoric time. Discovered by Padre Kino in 1694."

From Nona Warren, a shut-in, P. O. Box 434, Carterville, Mo., has come a number of cachet covers. Among the group is Easter Sunday from Faith, N. C., Mother's Day from Sweet Home, Ark., Benjamin Franklin's Birthday from Franklin, Mo., U. S. Troops Land in France, 1917, from

Superb Mint, 1929-31,  
11x10½

#653 1½c. #02	#639 7c. #09	#695 14c. #16
#632 1c. #02	#640 2c. #10	#696 15c. #18
#633 1½c. #08	#641 9c. #14	#697 17c. #21
#634 2c. #02	#642 12c. #15	#698 20c. #24
#635 3c. #06	#641B .40	#699 25c. #28
#636 4c. #08	#642 10c. #16	#700 30c. #36
#637 5c. #08	#642 12c. #14	#701 50c. #65
#638 6c. #09	#633 12c. #16	#694 12c. #16

Friendship, Ark., Christopher Columbus from Columbus, Kans., The Valor of Bataan from Pacific, Mo., Remember Pearl Harbor from Surprise, Nebr., Keep 'Em Rolling from Speed, Mo., The Battle-Cry of Freedom—Keep 'Em Flying from Freedom, Mo., Wake Island Marines from Marine, Ill., and Uncle Sam Ready to Fight from Spring, Tex. Miss Warren is about to sponsor a new series of cachets. If interested send her a postcard for information. As stated she is a shut-in and any mail will be welcomed.

### If Can't Be Done But They Did It

No sir, Mr. Morgenthau and the Postoffice Department both tell you that the War Savings Stamps can not be used for postage, but someone did it and the stamp is cancelled in the proper manner and the letter delivered. This naturally all happens because the stamp is red and of the same size as our postage stamps and why not someone get a few stamps mixed and place one of these war stamps on their letters, they all come from the post office, didn't they?

Anyhow, we have been fortunate enough that a friend who knew we were collecting stamps and got such a cover in his daily mail has saved the cover for us and the Treasury Department is just 10c richer while the Post Office Department got gyped out of 2c which if it knew who did the act would spend \$2.00 trying to collect the 2c. Such is efficiency.

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Here are some of my best Mixtures:

#23 Entire Parcel Cards (Europ.) 1 lb. \$2.00

#25 For. Govt. Mix. 1 lb. \$3.50; 7 oz. net \$2.

#28 Argentine & Brazil. 1 lb. \$2.35

#40a 500 mixed Scandinavia...packet \$1.15

#40a Gen. Fr. Mission Mixtures...1 lb. \$2.25

#50 Br. Col.'s 500 mixed ab. 250 var. \$3.95

#79a Fr. Colonials 500 mixed 200 var. \$3.95

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723 3c San Diego	958 3c St. Catharine
725 3c Michigan	961 3c Author
726 3c Texas	866

## U. S. Commemorative Stamp Facts

(Reprinted from the booklet of the same title by Captain A. C. Townsend).

### THE EDISON STAMP

These stamps were issued for an unusual purpose, not to honor the memory of a man, but to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the invention of the electric light by Thomas A. Edison. Mr. Edison had the novel honor of being alive at the time and was chief guest at a dinner party given by Henry Ford at Dearborn, Michigan, October 21, 1929, at which the President and many other distinguished guests were present. And the speeches and festivities were for the first time broadcast over an international network. Many foreign countries joined in the celebration of Light's Golden Jubilee and the tribute to Mr. Edison was one of the greatest ever given to a living person.

The 2c carmine rose—Edison's First Lamp—was issued June 5, 1929, flat plate, no wmk., and perf. 11, with shades but no important minor varieties. 31,679,200 were printed from plates 19775, 19776, 19777 and 19778.

So great was the demand in particular from manufacturers for the stamp that on June 11th it appeared both from the rotary press and in coils. There are no important minor varieties of either.

Of the rotary press stamp, perf. 11x10½, there were 210,120,000 issued from plates 19779, 19780, 19796, 19797, 19806, 19807, 19808 and 19809.

Of the coils 133,530,000 were issued, perf. 10 vertically, from plates 19781, 19782, 19794, 19795, 19802, 19803 and 19804, but for some unexplained reason none have been identified from plates 19802 and 19803.

First day covers of the flat plate stamps are from the home town of Mr. Edison, Menlo Park, N. J., June 5, 1929, and both the rotary press and coil stamps were put on sale at Washington, D. C., on June 11th.

### U. S. AUCTION PRICES

W. L. BABCOCK, M. D.  
18964 Birchcrest Drive  
Detroit, Mich.

Herman Herst, Jr. 20th Mail Sale held September 18th at 116 Nassau street, N. Y. C. A 5c 1847, V. F. cover with blue Troy pmk. sold near Cat @ \$10.25. 1c #42b, V. F. used (\$15), @ \$10.25. 10c, #49a, Type II, V. F., used (\$8), @ \$5.20. 5c, #577, August proof on India, V. F., @ \$6.30. 3c, #64, pink, superb single with black "Paid" pmk. (\$25), @ \$17.75. 3c, #85, 12 x 14 grill, V. F., used (\$12), @ \$8.25. 15c, #118, Type I, V. F., L. C. (\$17.50), @ \$10.10. 24c, #120, V. F., used (\$16.50), @ \$12.10. 30c, #121, V. F., used (\$12), @ \$8.25. 15c, #118, Type I, V. F., L. C. (\$17.50), @ \$10.10. 24c, #120, V. F., used (\$16.50) @ \$12.10. 30c, #121, V. F., used (\$9), @ \$6.10. 12c, #140, with grill, V. F., used (\$100), @ \$69. 90c, #218, superb, used (\$9), @ \$7.35. 2c, #277, O. G., V. F. (\$25), @ \$14.25. 5c, #297, superb, N. H. block of 4, (\$15), @ \$12.20. 8c, #298, ditto (\$20), @ \$16. 10c, #299, V. F., N. H., line block of 4, O. G. (\$22.50), @ \$13. 1\$, #311, O. G., superb (\$25), @ \$12.20. 2c, #320, superb, N. H., P# and Impt. block of 8 (\$22), @ \$12.20. 5c, #330, superb, O. G., P# and Impt. pair (\$18), @ \$7. 1\$, #342, superb, N. H., O. G. (\$15), @ \$9.20. 10c, #404, superb, N. H., O. G. (\$40), @ \$32.50. 2c, #523, superb, O. G., complete set, @ \$21.50. Neb., same, @ \$22.50. The part perforate 1 and 2c Defense stamps had much bidding. The 1c, in a V. F., N. H. pair, Imperf. horiz., @ \$12.50. The 2c same, part perforate vertically, @ \$5. A block of the latter @ \$11.75; and a V. F., N. H., block of the 3c, Imperf. vertically, @ \$9.50. The remainder of the sale consisted of a few Revenues which sold extremely well. The \$20, third issue, used, @ \$15.75; and an imperforate pair of #R329, \$20 Documentary from the recent Washington find, @ \$55. Only 100 of these stamps exist and this is the first offering at auction.

**Pioneer Philatelic Phalanx**

Col. Jno. A. Hooper, Field Commander, Summer Headqrs., 623 W. Fifth St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Under this heading there will appear a weekly bulletin of philatelic news, solely written by or authorized by the Board of Governors. The Phalanx is composed of members of all the leading clubs, friendly to all, and does not admit controversial matters of any kind.

Mrs. G. P. Pfeffer, one of our Ladies Auxiliary Phalanx representatives for the State of Louisiana, writes, "Greetings to our Phalanx and Auxiliary. I am proud to be a member and always carry my certificate card with me, No. 1997. Wishing all great success." Mrs. Hester Lee, one of our Mississippi members says, "We were glad to note the large number of women now joining up in Philately. The dealers say we are among their best customers and personally I know we spend a lot more than some men, who have the advantage of local clubs. A friend of mine at our Houston rally was one of the largest purchasers and astounded many of the Old Boys."

Congratulations to President John A. Mayne, of the Mound City Stamp Club, of St. Louis, Mo., on the winning of the First Prize Trophy for the Club's "Bulletin News" of 1942. Pres. Mayne has a fine club and a splendid lot of Phalanx members who are backing this club in its good work. We hope to meet all the St. Louis friends in 1943, especially as we have a number of St. Louis Phalanx nominees.

Our Field Commander received dates for visits to South Central Dixieland, the Solid South, and Deep in the Heart of Texas, and he hopes to see these clubs very soon, as time flies and our Ambassador is on his way. No obligation and no cost to clubs for friendly visits, if we are not held too long for scheduled monthly or semi-monthly meets. Hope to make Central Texas points, especially Dallas, Fort Worth, also Phoenix and Tucson in Arizona, as promised. We met a number of our Mexican friends when in Del Rey, El Paso, and especially Senor Ruiz Perez, of Mexico City.

Edward Van Wormer (N. Y.) one of our first life charter members is one of our youngest in the First Brigade, (only 65 years age). He states "I started stamp collecting in 1893, with an old Scott album, joined a YMCA stamp club when a very young boy. Then joined the Aero Philatelic Club, which is now the Gotham Stamp & Cover Club. Vice-Pres., then President and now an Hon. Member. The Founder and Sponsor of the Phalanx has certainly built up a wonderful membership in six years for a man his age and opposition. Good luck and good wishes to all. May the good Lord spare us to meet again in 1943."

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**THE COLLECTOR'S SHOP**  
48TH AUCTION SALE held Sept. 24th at New Haven, Conn. In the stampless covers, a Detroit, Mich. in oval in red, fine and scarce, franked by P. M., dated 1823, @ \$5.10. A 3c 1851 on illustrated cover, showing fire engine, with fine stamp margins, @ \$5. 10c, #49b, tied to cover by Portland, O. T. in circle, 1859, V. F., @ \$14. 12c, #51, horiz. pair tied to cover to London, thence forwarded to Paris, with a horiz. pair of Great Britain #26 added and tied, handsome and rare, @ \$52.50. 7c, #149, fine cover to Germany, tied, @ \$15.50. A 3c Agric. Department on legal sized official envelope, @ \$2.30; and a 3c Executive, #012, tied to small cover, add. to New York with the imprint of the Executive Mansion, V. F., @ \$22. 12c Interior, #020, on legal size official envelope, fine, @ \$13. A 1c Justice, #025, same, @ \$19.50. A 3c Justice, #0106, on soft paper, same, @ \$14.25. 3c State, #059, with Impt. of State Dept., V. F., tied small cover, @ \$20.50. Another same, @ \$12.50. 6c State, #060, tied to small cover with Dept. imprint, fine, @ \$15. A 10c State, #062, same on blue env., @ \$29. The 12c, #063, same, tied, @ \$39. The 24c, #065, tied, same, @ \$41. The above lot of official covers was an unusual offering and space does not permit quotation of others to the number of two score. The remainder of the sale consisted of an unusually fine lot of foreign. It is worthy of comment that some good prices were obtained for early British covers. A pair of the 2d, #2 tied with red grid, @ \$17.50. Hawaii, singles on pieces of cover, and pairs, also sold well. Switzerland, #17, cover front, tied and fine,

@ \$13.25. A few Revenues and a number of lots of covers with multiples brought excellent prices under competitive bidding.

**JAMES R. ARNOLD** 33RD POSTAL HISTORY AUCTION held Sept. 26th at Metuchen, N. J. A few stampless covers with straight line postmarks sold from \$1.10 to \$1.90, one, however, Morningville P. O., Westchester Company, New York, boxed in two red lines, V. F., @ \$10.75. An Ashfield, Mass., green with "5" in open circle, hand cut, unlisted, @ \$2.25. In Southern stampless, a Crockett and Gordonsville, Texas, the former with "Paid 10" in Ms. and the latter with "Due 10," date 1862, @ \$3.25. A number of ship letters sold better than usual. A Liverpool to N. Y., 1845, red oval with "Forwarded from Harnden's," @ \$2.80. A very scarce Thompson & Co. Express with illustration of ship and locomotive on cover, pmk'd. Ireland Depot in Ms. and "Paid," @ \$17.75. A Wheeler's Express, double-lined, blue circle, La Porte, Calif., on deed dated 1884, with a 50c Conveyance, Revenue stamp, @ \$6.30. In the Patriotics, a Romney, Va., "Paid" and "5" on #027, V. F., @ \$11.50. #65 on patriotic,

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**IF YOU ORDERED A COVER ALBUM**  
Persons who have ordered the cover albums offered are advised that most of the orders up to the first of September have been filled. The supply of black paper for pages became exhausted and with the difficulties to overcome here as a result of the fire on Labor day, we have been seriously handicapped in filling these orders. A further supply of black paper to complete the album orders on hand is on the way and we hope to have all of the remaining orders in the mail between the 15th and 20th of this month. We sincerely regret the delay which was unavoidable. We have discontinued the offer of these albums till all orders are out. There may be a few left over which we will then offer.

### IF You Ordered Unit Pages No. 1-6-7

The pages for the Presidential stamps that belong with Unit No. 6 have run short but we have plenty of all other pages in these three Units. The job room at the printing plant here is just now getting in operation since the fire on Labor day and we will have enough pages prepared to complete the Units and hope to mail orders on hand and catch up with any new orders by the 30th to 25th of this month.

### Perpetual Album Pages—Sold Out.

All of the many thousands of Perpetual Album pages are sold. There are a few unfilled orders that go out with orders for Cover Albums or Unit Pages that we have laid aside to send out.

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